

**September** at KYC is the time for the annual **Steak Bar-B-Que, Deck Jam** and **Pot Luck Supper**, always member and guest favourites and this year was no exception. The stress brought on by September and the anticipated work ahead getting the boat ready for winter can

also be overwhelming for some crew members — like

**Sharon Colvin.** 

The **Fourth Annual Euchre Tournament**, scheduled for Saturday September 3rd had to be cancelled due to a lack of interest. Hopefully next year will see a return of the members to the tables, for this function a fun evening event.

Mid September particularly the weekend of the 14, 15 and 16th, was probably the best "Summer Boating Weekend" of the year, with warm temperatures and three days of flat, warm waters on Lake Erie! Many of

the KYC member boats found their way out for a most enjoyable time on the water.

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October is the gloomy month, when we have to finish taking out the boats for winter storage — thanks go out again to the **Lift Operators**, for moving the boats and thanks to the **Barge Operators** for removing the docks and poles and those members that ready the property infustructure for winter, always a sad time of the year. It was however, a great time for club members **Jeremy and Landy Groenendyk.** 







A beautiful day for KYC members **Jeremy and Landy Groenendyk** as they exchanged wedding vows outside. Although the weather was a little cool a great time was had by all in attendance. Congratulations and happy cruising through life for the coming years.

In this issue of **Muddy Waters**, read "From the Bridge" by Commodore Bill Graves. Re -call the Steak Bar-B-Que evening, music and dancing at the Deck Jam, followed by the annual favourite "Pot-Luck Dinner". Lift Out activity. Power Squadron Boat Education Schedule. September General Meeting. Be sure to read about longtime members Steve and Jeanie Martin and Steve's home made boat the "Golden Lion". Thanks go to reporter Lynn Oliver who was instrumental in bringing the Martin's very interesting story to the membership. The cruising saga of KYC Associate Members Gerry and Maggie Boyle also continues, with their boat now wintering in North Sydney at the Northern Yacht Club.

**Next General Meeting** and **Election of Officers** November 25th. See information with regard to Proxy Voting while absent from a meeting.

Commodores Ball - Saturday November 17th at the Kettle Creek Golf Course. This is a celebration of the success of the Commodore and his Executive, enjoy the food, party hardy and have fun and *please take pictures and send them to me* for the next "Muddy Waters" at knowlesbd@hotmail.com.



At the end of August, the club turned 85 years old certainly a mile stone for most clubs. There was no party, no fireworks, no t-shirts, no jackets, no dancing, no celebration of any kind — why? Seems like a missed opportunity — perhaps we could arrange for a re-do in 2019?



The summer of 2018 as I have said before sure went by fast — coming late, it did however

linger around well into September providing warm temperatures, calm waters and continued activities at KYC, however, it changed quickly going into October. Docks are now out and the boats put away for the winter. Have fun at the Commodores Ball. Well it is time again to sign off another issue of *Muddy Waters*. Donna and I are now in the south, boy is it hot here, Sarasota set historic records for temperature for the month of September and continued into October. I hope you enjoy this issue highlighting several club members.



Brian



### FROM THE BRIDGE





BILL GRAVES
COMMODORE

Well, as 2018 comes to a close I was reminiscing about the accomplishments of this Executive over 2017-2018 as well as all of the improvements KYC Executive Committees have made over the 20 years which I have witnessed and the many years prior.

Many past Executives are responsible for the wonderful grounds at KYC which came at the cost of many skinned knees installing sod, the clubhouse, its addition and deck, the Ladies Aux donation of the south end pavilion, and much more. More recently the travel lift was replaced to manage our increasing boat sizes, the garage was built, kitchen renovated, red tractor put into service, a collapsed well wall repaired, many trees removed and replaced and the power gate installed to mention a few.

This past Executive secured the work barge and its crane, post pounder and propulsion equipment making KYC a truly self-sufficient operation. Many other issues like resolving the gas dispensing issue with the Government, repairs to the sea wall services from the flooding this year, replacing the gas BBQ at the clubhouse, replacing the HVAC unit on the clubhouse, upgrading the clubhouse lighting to LED and new fixtures, trailer for the second tractor, proper maintenance of the lift and barge, and many others. The South Yard is in the best shape in my memory. Still to do in 2019 .... The clubhouse needs a new roof along with the pavilion, the deck needs to be assessed and repaired or replaced, and always the inevitable whatever comes up! It will also be important to complete the edits to the Bylaws and Regulations.

We closed the year with a full club. We have one currently on the waitlist. Through vetting of applications, we accepted six new probationary members in 2018 and rejected two applications. I am sure that there will be a few members leaving the club and urge them to advise the Fleet Captain as soon as they have decided so that wait listed folks can be vetted and interviewed before they feel compelled to rent a slip elsewhere. Our current bylaws are in conflict with the annual dock bidding date and will be revised to better define the loss of a dock when dues are not paid by the Nov 30th due date.

The Executive and Advisory at KYC are a critical part of the operation of the Yacht Club. As mentioned above, the Executives over the years have led the continuous improvement of our club. As we continue to stress, this is not a marina with an owner and staff providing these services. It is also not fair to expect the same people to step up year after year and sacrifice days of our already short boating season running the club.

It is incumbent on all members to step up and participate as part of the Executive and with a couple years' experience run for Commodore. Everyone should take a turn.

As we stand, most of the 2018 Executive will be acclaimed for 2019. This will not be the case in 2020. Please show some interest in the club and volunteer for the Executive. This is an Ontario Corporation and MUST have a board. If you want to know more about volunteering please see one of the Executive and get a feel for the positions. Overall it is a good experience volunteering for the board of an NPO and experiencing the business end of the club.

Thank you to all of those who did participate in the Executive and Advisory Boards as well as all the members who did donate hours to the club for equipment, maintenance, functions and the general needs of such a great facility. A special thanks to Ken Borkwood for years on the Advisory and Executive at KYC. Ken is now stepping down and enjoying that beautiful Sea Ray.

Enjoy the off season and lets all hope for great boating in 2019.

Regards,

**Bill Graves**Commodore

#### **INTRODUCING JEANNETTE MANSELL**



Jeannette is a returning member to KYC and as discussed at the last General Meeting is assuming the position of acting Treasurer on the Executive. Jeannette owns Elgin Bookkeeping Accounting & Tax since 1998 and has extensive experience in day to day bookkeeping and tax issues. Her expertise is welcome by the Executive and imperative to keeping the club as an Non Profit Organization on the right side of the CRA.

## STEAK BAR-B-QUE



DECK JAM



# MEMBER PROFILE

It is important to introduce new members to the club, it is equally important to recognize those members that have contributed to the club over the years, helping it grow into the successful club that it has become. In this issue we recognize long term members — STEVE and JEANIE MARTIN.

**STEVE and JEANIE** first joined the *Kanagio Yacht Club* in 1998 because they liked the location. The Martin's first boat was a 75 foot +/- home built "*Tall Ship"*. What a way to start! Steve sailed to the Caribbean for two months, which somehow turned into a year.

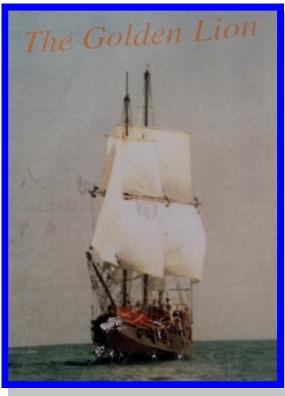
"THE GOLDEN LION" - not many boaters start out with this style, size and quality of sail boat! The Martin's started building this beautiful sail boat in 1978 and it was launched in 1986.

Jeanie helped Steve build it in Port Stanley on Front Street. The ship was somewhere around 75 feet long and weighed 50 tons. When it came time to move her down to the river, two cranes loaded it on a tractor trailer for its first journey.

Jeanie stayed home to run the business Port Litho. Steve sailed it on his own but picked up a couple of guys along the way. They sailed up the St Lawrence and up to The Grand Banks hoping to cross the Atlantic to Spain, retracing Christopher Columbus's journey. He encountered a hurricane in September 1992 off the Grand Banks and was unable to cross the Atlantic. The sails were torn to shreds—see next page. The coast guard kept them under watch. Once he was able to get back into the harbour in Halifax it took two months to have new sails made. When he left, his ship was covered in snow. He made his way to Bermuda and eventually the Caribbean where he spent a year. This is truly a Tall Ship. Bigger than others that have visited our local harbour. What an amazing accomplishment to build and sail such a beautiful ship.

It was sold to a group therapy home for troubled kids in the US and now resides in Florida.





Steve has had 6 boats of which he actually built two. Jeanie does not drive the boat. Steve was a member of the Power Squadron and has travelled not only the Caribbean but the Great Lakes. Over the years they owned Antique businesses, a Tea house and renovated 26 houses in Port Stanley, to support their love of boating.

Story contributed by **Lynn Oliver**.





"The Golden Lion" in disrepair after encountering a hurricane which ripped all of the sails to shreds.



Steve's current sail boat "Thistle Dew" a 25 foot MacGregor which is docked at slip number 19.



Another of Steve's 2 home made boats. This steel sail boat had folding out-riggers to increase stability, while allowing access to narrow channels and narrow docks.



## MEMBER JOURNEY

Former KYC Members **Gerry and Marggie Boyle** who are now Associate Members, set out from KYC for an adventure in their sail boat " *Wind Song*". Their journey continues. Hope you enjoy their comments and perhaps someday another member will set out and have a source of information.

### Hello to all of you.

It has been an amazing summer for us and we hope that everyone at the club enjoyed the summer and being on the water.

Our last message left us at the entrance to the Saguenay Fjord which is truly spectacular. Tadousac is the launching point to enter and leave the fjord and from there we crossed over to the Bic national park 12 knt miles south of Rimouski where we anchored out for a few days. After the Bic came Rimouski where we got to go to a sports bar and see France win the world cup, you can imagine the crowd.

Leaving there it was on to Matane, St Anne De Mont, Sainte-Madeleine-de-la-Rivière , Riviere Renard and around the Gaspe coast. I have attached a few pictures of some of the highlights.

If we could pick the most amazing point it would be when the whale decided it wanted to be our friend.

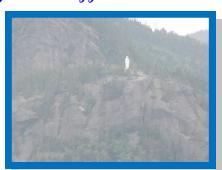
When we left Gaspe our course took us south visiting places in New Brunswick, P.E.I., then into Nova Scotia up to St Peters into the BrasD'Or lakes.



We ended up in North Sydney at the *Northern Yacht Club* where *Wind Song II* is spending the winter. It is going to be a long winter waiting for the spring and the south shore of Newfoundland.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Ball.

### Regards Gevry and Marggie





# SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

The September KYC General Meeting was a joyous meeting as the club is reported to be in a **Good Financial Position**, with a full membership and a waiting list. Commodore **Graves** was ill and Past Commodore **Roy McKinley** chaired the meeting which just seemed to fly by to adjournment.

Interim Treasurer **Ken Borkwood**, reported on the gas audit question from the previous meeting which was reported as a coding error and indicated that Financially KYC remains in Good

Condition, after acquiring the barge and the cost of repairing major electrical problems caused by the ice damage.

A revision to a Bylaw was brought forward and approved, which will now allow an individual to remain as Commodore beyond a two year term, in keeping with all of the Executive board members. Approval was given to remove the washing machine and dryer, as this continues to be a financial losing situation for the club.



**Dennis Mighton** Membership Chairman, reported that we have a full membership at the end of 2018 and individuals on the waiting list for membership at KYC. Overall it was a good meeting with everyone wanting to get out and go for a last cruise or work on winterizing their boat.



Rear Commodore Mark Newsom, was happy with the condition of the South Storage Yard with special thanks to Gerry Goodhue for bringing his Big Green Machine to the site and moving equipment as well as gravel, provided by Steve Prentice. Thanks go to all of those individuals who helped with the clean-up. The garage was also cleaned up by Bob Ashcroft, Brian Knowles, and Ralph Oliver. Lets keep both of these areas clean and organized going forward. The new air conditioning unit was installed and came in under budget.



Anticipated Capital Costs coming up will include the condition of the deck, and the roof on the club house and gazebo.

Power washing of boats at the lift well and the use of acid while boats are in the slings was brought forward for discussion. It was concluded that power washing should take place some 100 feet south of the well between the hydro post and the gas pump and no spraying of acid on the property. The motions passed by a show of hands,

## COMMODORE'S GALA

## NOVEMBER 17th AT KETTLE CREEK GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB





**NEXT GENERAL MEETING —NOVEMBER 25TH, AND ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE.** 



Probationary members **Bill and Kayla Carr** were voted into the club as full members. Past Commodore Roy McKinley welcomed them into the club and presented them with a burgee.

### YOU ARE GOING TO BE AWAY FOR A CLUB GENERAL MEETING

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & ELECTION OF 2019 EXECUTIVE - PROXY VOTE**

The KYC Annual General Meeting will be held Sunday November 25th, 10:00 am in the KYC Clubhouse. Members who cannot attend this meeting in person may vote by proxy. You may appoint a proxy by email using the format below, or you may complete a Proxy Form and deliver it in person to the KYC Secretary.

Email proxies are to be submitted to the KYC Secretary no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the meeting i.e by November 15th, from the email address you use regularly for KYC correspondence, using the format below.

KYC elections and other matters are decided by secret ballot. The proxy form must not state how you have instructed your proxy to vote.

### **Email Proxy Formate**

I <u>Member's name</u> appoint <u>name of member you are appointing</u> to serve as my proxy at the KYC Annual General meeting to be held on Sunday 25th and at any adjournment thereof.

I appoint <u>name of proxy</u> to vote on my behalf on any issue that may arise at this meeting in the same manner as I would do if personally present at this meeting.

A PDF copy of the club proxy can be downloaded from the member section of the web site—*kanagioyachtclub.com* 

### **WE ARE IN NEED OF:**

PHOTOGRAPHS—PLEASE SHARE YOUR PHOTOS CAPTURED AT THE CLUB FOR "MUDDY WATERS" OR THE WEB SITE.

PHOTOGRAPHERS—TAKE PHOTOS OF CLUB EVENTS, YOU DON'T NEED TO BE A PROFESSIONAL—USE YOUR PHONE.

COMMODORES BALL GREAT PHOTO OPPORTUNITY!!!!





- Remember to put your stairs, dock poles and all other equipment away with your boat or in the south yard storage area.
- **UNPLUG YOUR BOAT** do not unplug any other members boat!
- When equipment has been winterized it will have a tag on it "WINTERIZED" do not use the equipment or you may have to buy the club a new unit.
- It takes a significant amount of time to winterize the water systems, please do not use them after they have been winterized as it takes a lot of time and money to fix/repair it in the spring.
- If you are the last one on the property anytime, be sure to make sure ALL club house doors and the garage doors are closed and locked.
- Don't forget if you see a maintenance problem small or large, report it to the Rear Commodore or any other member of the Executive immediately so that it can be addressed before it become a major problem.

# **BOATING EDUCATION**

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED INCREASING KNOWLEDGE, **BOATING** THE LONDON CHAPTER OF THE **POWER SQUADRON** WILL BE RUNNING A NUM-BER OF COURSES IN THE FALL OF 2018 AND WINTER OF 2019. SEE THE AT-TACHED LIST AND HOW TO **OBTAIN INFORMATION** AND TO REGISTER FOR A COURSE.



Course Information and to Register: www.boatingcourses.ca/cities/London Course Start Date 2018 **Electronic Marine Navigation** September 11, 2018 Maritime Radio September 11, 2018 Boating 4 - Near Shore September 13, 2018 Marine Navigation 1 Boating 5 - Near Shore September 13, 2018 Marine Navigation 2 Boating 1 - Boating Basics October 9, 2018 October 9, 2018 Boating 6 - Offshore Marine Navigation 1 Extended Cruisina October 9, 2018 Marine Electrical Maintenance October 11, 2018 November 20, 2018 Boating 1 - Boating Basics 2019 Boating 2 - Beyond Boating January 8, 2019 Introduction to Weather for January 8, 2019 Recreational Boaters January 8, 2019 **Boat and Engine Maintenance** Maritime Radio January 10, 2019 Sailing February 21, 2019 March 19, 2019 Boating 3 - Introduction to Marine navigation Radar for Pleasure Craft March 26 2019 Boating 1 - Boating Basics March 28, 2019 Maritime Radio March 28, 2019

April 23, 2019



Boating 1 - Boating Basics